

FY 2009 Recovery Act: Assistance to Rural Law Enforcement to Combat Crime and Drugs Funding Results

Scope of Program:

The Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) is pleased to announce the release of funding results for the FY 2009 Recovery Act: Assistance to Rural Law Enforcement to Combat Crime and Drugs Program. The purpose of this program is to help rural states and rural areas prevent and combat crime, especially drug-related crime, and provides for national support efforts, including training and technical assistance programs strategically targeted to address rural needs. Applicants were invited to submit a proposal under any one of the following categories: (1) to combat rural crime; (2) to improve rural law enforcement investigations; (3) to enhance rural detention and jail operations; (4) to facilitate rural justice information sharing; or (5) to develop a national training and technical assistance program. The solicitation for funding was released on March 19, 2009 and closed on April 22, 2009.

Under categories I-IV, eligibility was limited to local (including county) and tribal law enforcement agencies located in "rural areas," as defined in the solicitation. In addition, state law enforcement agencies that are from "rural states" or that provide assistance to one or more "rural areas" were eligible to apply, as defined in the solicitation. For purposes of this solicitation, state and local law enforcement agencies include state and local prosecutors, parole, probation, and community corrections agencies. For category V, applications were solicited from national, regional, state, and local public and private entities, including for-profit (commercial) and nonprofit organizations, institutions of higher education, faith-based and community organizations, tribal jurisdictions, and units of local government to provide training and technical assistance across the nation to qualifying rural areas and rural states, as defined above.

Review Process:

BJA is committed to ensuring a fair and consistent process for awarding grants. BJA reviews applications to make sure that the information presented is reasonable, understandable, measurable, and achievable, as well as consistent with program and legislative requirements as stated in the solicitation. Applications are initially screened to determine whether the applicants meet all eligibility requirements. Only applications submitted by eligible applicants that meet all other requirements (such as timeliness, proper format, and responsiveness to the scope of the solicitation) will be evaluated, scored, and rated by a peer review panel. A peer reviewer is an expert in the field of the subject matter of a given solicitation. Peer reviewers' ratings and any resulting recommendations are advisory only. In addition to peer review ratings, considerations may include, but are not limited to, underserved populations, geographic and topical diversity, strategic priorities, past performance, fiscal integrity and financial capability of applicants, and available funding. Absent explicit statutory authorization or written delegation of authority to the contrary, all final grant award decisions will be made by the Assistant Attorney General, Office of Justice Programs.

Funding Sought and Awarded:

BJA received 1,178 applications for categories I-IV. BJA made 207 site-based awards for a total of \$117,256,292 in funding. BJA received 75 applications for category V, Training and Technical Assistance, and made 5 Training and Technical Assistance awards, totaling \$7,801,449. Descriptions of the training and technical assistance awards are below. Based upon the level of funding available, BJA made awards to approximately 18 percent of the applications.

Strategic Applications for Society (SAS) (\$2.2 million) will receive a training and technical assistance grant to address the unique challenges of rural jurisdictions with the goals of 1) interdicting illegal drugs and drug manufacturing and distribution networks in collaboration with federal, state, tribal, and local law enforcement agencies; 2) leveraging other enforcement efforts, such as homeland security, traffic safety,

drug recognition, human trafficking, and border control in jurisdictions with limited resources; 3) providing access to effective prevention, treatment, and recovery services; 4) combating cybercrime and illicit Internet prescription drug purchases; and 5) developing and implementing gang reduction strategies related to drug trafficking in rural areas.

SAS will use its funds to conduct onsite rural state assessments in ten states; host a National Rural Methamphetamine Summit to mobilize and equip rural states with best practices and intelligence-led policing approaches; develop and implement state-specific action plans by hiring state coordinators to oversee the process and provide expert training and technical assistance; and develop the Methpedia web site clearinghouse, webinars, and podcasts.

The International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) (\$1,761,070) will receive a training and technical assistance grant to address the unique challenges of rural jurisdictions through the newly created program called “Leading by Legacy: Leadership and Managerial Training for First Line Supervisors, Command Staff, and Executives from Rural Law Enforcement Agencies.”

IACP will use its funds to support the primary goals of this new program, which are to provide technical assistance and to develop and deliver training on law enforcement leadership and management to rural law enforcement agencies (RLEAs) nationwide. Leadership and management training will increase stability in the leadership structure and ultimately enable RLEAs to better identify and implement strategies that prevent and reduce crime. The Leading by Legacy Program will use the preexisting network of partnerships with state and regional chiefs associations to reach potential participants. The training will be available in a variety of formats, including: regional onsite, web-based, CD-ROM-based, and onsite technical assistance.

SEARCH Group, Inc. (SGI) (\$1,261,132) will receive a training and technical assistance grant from the U.S. Department of Justice. SGI will use this award to assess and improve the awareness and knowledge of criminal justice practitioners regarding the employment of technology for information sharing.

SGI will use its funds to conduct an assessment of the state of technology for rural justice information sharing and will provide onsite technical assistance to Recovery Act (Rural Law Enforcement to Combat Crime and Drugs) grant recipients in fulfillment of their grant goals. Finally, SGI will host four regional conferences for rural practitioners regarding the challenges and solutions they face in sharing information.

The Institute for Intergovernmental Research (IIR) (\$700,000) will receive a training and technical assistance grant to help maximize the capacity of rural law enforcement to combat crime through the use of collaborative strategies and the employment of data-driven enforcement techniques.

IIR will use its funds to provide technical assistance to Recovery Act (Assistance to Rural Law Enforcement to Combat Crime and Drugs) grant recipients in fulfillment of their grant goals. In addition, IIR will a) organize and deliver regional conferences for grant recipients focusing on data-driven strategies and b) provide assistance on how to access various existing resources.

The University of Tennessee’s (UT) Law Enforcement Innovations Center (\$1,879,247) will receive a training and technical assistance grant to address the unique challenges of rural jurisdictions through the newly created program called, National Rural Law Enforcement Training Initiative.

UT will use its funds to implement a comprehensive training initiative covering a broad range of criminal justice topics and consisting of nine separate training activities. The training activities include the delivery of multiple training events via multiple formats in rural jurisdictions throughout the country.

Feedback and Technical Assistance for Unfunded Applicants:

Applicants who did not get funding under the solicitation will receive written notification. The email will include written comments from the peer reviewers about the applicant's submission, if the applicant was eligible and submitted a responsive application. These comments will be sent to the Authorized Representative on the application. If your organization does not receive the comments, contact BJA at AskBJA@usdoj.gov.

Solicitation	Grantee	State	Award Amount
Recovery Act: Assistance to Rural Law Enforcement to Combat Crime and Drugs (Category I: Combating Rural Crime)	Alma Department of Public Safety	MI	\$176,876.00
	Amador County	CA	\$501,778.00
	Beaver County	UT	\$699,445.00
	Bryan County	OK	\$118,779.00
	City of Barbourville	KY	\$136,408.00
	City of Burden	KS	\$117,253.00
	City of Byron	GA	\$348,421.00
	City of Centerville	IA	\$285,200.00
	City of Crocker	MO	\$175,791.00
	City of Newaygo	MI	\$178,620.00
	City of Paintsville	KY	\$222,411.00
	City of Portsmouth	OH	\$480,522.00
	City of West Helena	AR	\$381,874.00
	Comanche County District Attorneys Office	OK	\$1,064,657.00
	Coos County	OR	\$542,054.00
	County of Franklin	KS	\$379,998.00
	Iredell County	NC	\$693,334.00
	Kalispel Tribe of Indians	WA	\$480,890.00
	Lafayette County	FL	\$197,300.00
	Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe	MN	\$792,724.00
	Logan County Sheriff's Office	OH	\$224,760.00
	Marion County	AR	\$209,259.00
	Mason County	WA	\$611,610.00
	Montana Department of Justice	MT	\$1,230,902.00
	Nevada City Police Department	CA	\$510,090.00
	Nooksack Indian Tribe	WA	\$468,516.00
	Pend Oreille County	WA	\$96,510.00
	Pend Oreille County	WA	\$139,710.00
	Pueblo of Pojoaque	NM	\$303,304.00
	Seneca County	OH	\$512,050.00
	Shoalwater Bay Indian Tribe	WA	\$276,135.00
	Siskiyou County Sheriff's Department	CA	\$773,308.00
	Squaxin Island Tribe	WA	\$261,357.00
	The Suquamish Tribe	WA	\$234,836.00
	Tillamook County	OR	\$1,148,224.00
	Tohono O'odham Nation	AZ	\$394,724.00
	Town of Big Stone Gap	VA	\$853,404.00

	Town of Oakboro	NC	\$171,510.00
	Winona County	MN	\$359,196.00
	20th Judicial District Attorney's Office	LA	\$82,867.00
	Alabama Fourth Judicial Circuit of the District Attorney's Office	AL	\$306,104.00
	California Department of Justice	CA	\$1,435,904.00
	City of Dilley	TX	\$113,000.00
	City of Ellington	MO	\$171,886.00
	City of Glasgow	MT	\$592,093.00
	City of Manitowoc	WI	\$177,590.00
	City of Marianna	AR	\$397,020.00
	City of Norwich	NY	\$288,188.00
	City of Shelton	WA	\$355,730.00
	City of St. James	MN	\$173,772.00
	City of Trenton	TN	\$207,591.00
	City of Warrenton	MO	\$240,354.00
	City of Watertown	SD	\$1,568,993.00
	City of West Branch	IA	\$139,432.00
	County of Emmet	MI	\$162,373.00
	Eastern Shoshone Tribe	WY	\$300,041.00
	Essex County	NY	\$188,080.00
	Evans County	GA	\$498,248.00
	Gray County	TX	\$206,899.00
	Hamilton County Sheriff's Department	IL	\$146,588.00
	Hampshire County Sheriff's Department	WV	\$105,298.00
	Huntingdon County	PA	\$225,202.00
	Inyo County	CA	\$165,000.00
	Kansas Highway Patrol	KS	\$4,716,405.00
	Kentucky Commonwealth's Attorney	KY	\$189,557.00
	Lincoln County	OR	\$264,006.00
	Madison County	ID	\$189,407.00
	Marshall County	MS	\$499,638.00
	Mason City	IA	\$99,005.00
	Menominee County	WI	\$470,972.00
	Michigan Department of State Police	MI	\$6,553,686.00
	Missouri State Highway Patrol	MO	\$3,471,119.00
	Navajo Nation Judicial Branch	AZ	\$1,362,906.00
	Nebraska Attorney General	NE	\$696,907.00
	Nevada Department of Public Safety	NV	\$750,000.00

	New Mexico Attorney General's Office	NM	\$678,880.00
	North Carolina Judiciary Courts	NC	\$248,325.00
	North Dakota Office of Attorney General	ND	\$635,057.00
	Omaha Tribe of Nebraska	NE	\$300,000.00
	Putnam County Sheriff's Office	OH	\$703,200.00
	Quitman Police Department	GA	\$172,859.00
	Roscommon County	MI	\$437,624.00
	St. Martin Parish Sheriff's Office	LA	\$707,951.00
	Stevens County	WA	\$760,550.00
	Sullivan County	NH	\$260,879.00
	Three Affiliated Tribes of Fort Berthold	ND	\$1,161,669.00
	Town of Bolton	NC	\$600,000.00
	Town of Cowen	WV	\$110,737.00
	Towns County Sheriff's Department	GA	\$535,828.00
	Union County	OH	\$134,195.00
	Vermont Department of Public Safety	VT	\$130,000.00
	Village of Penn Yan	NY	\$129,017.00
	Wakulla County Sheriff's Office	FL	\$608,222.00
	Walton County Sheriff's Office	FL	\$818,729.00
	White Earth Reservation Tribal Council	MN	\$649,102.00
	Wilson County	NC	\$346,221.00
Recovery Act: Assistance to Rural Law Enforcement to Combat Crime and Drugs (Category II: Improving Rural Law Enforcement Investigations)	Arenac County Sheriff's Department	MI	\$142,587.00
	Borough of Gallitzin	PA	\$114,520.00
	Cherokee County Commission	AL	\$300,000.00
	City of Arcadia	FL	\$135,497.00
	City of Fortuna	CA	\$349,332.00
	City of Independence	WI	\$485,816.00
	City of Montpelier	ID	\$248,026.00
	City of Mount Hope	WV	\$252,423.00
	City of Perryville	MO	\$243,874.00
	City of Sequim	WA	\$299,569.00
	City of Titusville	PA	\$180,290.00
	County of Union	OR	\$309,168.00
	Del Norte County	CA	\$417,228.00
	Fayette Police Department	IA	\$104,807.00
	Henry County Sheriff	IN	\$555,522.00

	Jefferson County	WA	\$450,958.00
	Lee County Sheriff's Office	NC	\$263,872.00
	Lyon County	IA	\$107,781.00
	Mackinac County	MI	\$231,022.00
	Mercer County	ND	\$787,499.00
	Oneida County	ID	\$261,882.00
	Pulaski County	MO	\$170,502.00
	Town of Damariscotta	ME	\$227,120.00
	Town of La Crosse	VA	\$105,065.00
	Warren County Sheriff's Office	TN	\$366,050.00
	Allen County	KY	\$469,119.00
	Bienville Parish Sheriff's Department	LA	\$423,387.00
	Chippewa Cree Tribe	MT	\$840,609.00
	City of Washington	NC	\$191,308.00
	City of West Frankfort	IL	\$295,561.00
	County of Ozark	MO	\$127,850.00
	Decatur County	IN	\$499,941.00
	Gallia County Sheriff	OH	\$226,196.00
	Goodhue County	MN	\$173,290.00
	Jackson County Sheriff's Office	IL	\$122,909.00
	Lawrence County	AL	\$430,844.00
	Menominee Indian Tribe of Wisconsin	WI	\$562,203.00
	Mississippi Office of the Attorney General	MS	\$675,000.00
	Oregon Department of Justice	OR	\$1,531,744.00
	Powhatan County	VA	\$231,143.00
	West Virginia University	WV	\$174,992.00
Recovery Act: Assistance to Rural Law Enforcement to Combat Crime and Drugs (Category III: Enhancing Rural Corrections, Detention, and Jail Operations)	City of Aberdeen	WA	\$837,721.00
	City of Gallipolis	OH	\$105,500.00
	Columbia County	OR	\$457,397.00
	County of Douglas	OR	\$1,795,615.00
	County of Gila	AZ	\$268,310.00
	County of Grant	WA	\$259,230.00
	Dunklin County Sheriff's Office	MO	\$208,261.00
	Franklin County	TN	\$382,241.00
	Idaho Department of Correction	ID	\$129,524.00
	Josephine County	OR	\$403,969.00
	Laurens County Sheriff's Department	GA	\$547,540.00

	Lee County Sheriff's Office	NC	\$235,700.00
	Lincoln and Sagadahoc Multi-County Jail Authority	ME	\$501,019.00
	Marion County	IL	\$329,963.00
	Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians	MS	\$284,488.00
	Montana Department of Corrections	MT	\$924,996.00
	Morehouse Parish Sheriff's Office	LA	\$929,994.00
	Pacific County	WA	\$247,700.00
	Pine County	MN	\$153,336.00
	Pulaski County	MO	\$288,921.00
	Santa Cruz County	AZ	\$491,226.00
	Tillamook County	OR	\$478,764.00
	Adair County	OK	\$150,842.00
	Brown County Sheriff's Office	KS	\$321,999.00
	City of Lake Village	AR	\$201,893.00
	County of Marinette	WI	\$530,543.00
	Crook County Community Juvenile Services Board	WY	\$437,792.00
	First Judicial District Department of Correctional Services	IA	\$735,286.00
	Fort Belknap Indian Community	MT	\$2,243,425.00
	Harrison County Sheriff's Office	OH	\$308,059.00
	Kanabec County Treasure	MN	\$859,142.00
	Lea County	NM	\$293,851.00
	Lincoln County	OR	\$430,684.00
	Martin County	MN	\$282,887.00
	Montezuma County	CO	\$394,428.00
	Morgan County	GA	\$434,964.00
	Northwest Regional Corrections Board	MN	\$539,306.00
	Sanilac County	MI	\$223,675.00
Recovery Act: Assistance to Rural Law Enforcement to Combat Crime and Drugs Category IV: Facilitating Rural Justice Information Sharing)	City of Ashland	AL	\$113,019.00
	City of Cordele	GA	\$424,123.00
	City of Menomonie	WI	\$2,305,525.00
	City of Riverton	WY	\$1,467,672.00
	City of Sturgeon Bay	WI	\$689,471.00
	City of Toledo	OR	\$276,312.00
	Clarke County	VA	\$190,950.00
	Grant County	WA	\$244,351.00
	Guam Judicial Branch	GU	\$993,037.00

	Lincoln County	ME	\$412,655.00
	Lummi Indian Nation	WA	\$455,584.00
	Mendocino County	CA	\$2,067,129.00
	Navajo County	AZ	\$258,498.00
	Nebraska State Patrol	NE	\$781,934.00
	New Mexico Administrative Office of the District Attorney	NM	\$266,512.00
	Routt County	CO	\$1,547,392.00
	St. Clair County	MO	\$679,130.00
	Stevens County	WA	\$246,795.00
	Alabama Criminal Justice Information Center	AL	\$1,883,320.00
	Alabama Criminal Justice Information Center	AL	\$1,464,323.00
	City of Clanton	AL	\$255,455.00
	Duval County	TX	\$796,200.00
	Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission	FL	\$197,082.00
	Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians	MI	\$397,909.00
	Idaho State Police	ID	\$590,931.00
	Kentucky State Attorney General	KY	\$3,946,436.00
	Lebanon Police Department	MO	\$1,202,024.00
	Ohio Attorney General- Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation	OH	\$2,000,287.00
	Sanilac County	MI	\$566,647.00
	St. Landry Parish Sheriff's Department	LA	\$487,585.00
	Vermont Department of Public Safety	VT	\$1,055,355.00
	Yell County	AR	\$100,236.00
Recovery Act: Assistance to Rural Law Enforcement to Combat Crime and Drugs (Category V: Training and Technical Assistance)	Strategic Applications for Society LLC	VA	\$2,200,000.00
	University of Tennessee Knoxville	TN	\$1,879,247.00
	Institute for Intergovernmental Research	FL	\$700,000.00
	SEARCH Group Inc	CA	\$1,261,132.00
	The International Association of Chiefs of Police Inc	VA	\$1,761,070.00
Awards: 212	Total Funding:		\$123,296,671.00